M/s. Reliance Industries Ltd in accordance with the procedure prevalent at that time. Government has not received any other proposal for foreign collaboration from any other Indian party for manufacture of PTA.

Power restriction in States

714. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the nature and extent of power restriction and power cut currently in force, in West Bengal, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Kerala States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): The power cuts and restrictions in the States of West Bengal, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Kerala during October, 1986 are indicated in the enclosed Statement I and II.

Statement—I

Details of Power cuts for the month of Oct., 1986.

		Energy Cut	Demand Cut
1.	West Bengal	NIL	Peak Period restrictions.
2.	Maharashtra	NIL	10-15 Percent on H.T. industries.
3.	Gujarat	NIL	H.T. Industries 50 Percent Cement export oriented rolling, and re-rolling mills 25 35 Percent Fertilizers —15-30. Percent.
4.	Haryana	40-6-Percent cut on continuous process industries w.e.f. 6-10-1986.	(i) 8 hrs/day supply with one off day per week upto 9-10-86. and 6 hrs/day supply with one off day/ week thereafter to general industrial consumers. (ii) 8½ hrs/day supply with one off day/week upto 9-10-86 8½ hrs/day supply with two off days/week there-after to steel as are furnaces.
5.	Uttar Pradesh	100 per cent Energy/demand cut on industries having captive generation equal to or more than the power being supplied by UPSEB. 12½ hrs. supply to rolling, re-rolling mills and 16 hrs/day supply toar are furnaces & peak hour restrictions.	
6.	Tamil Nadu	20 per cent.	20 per cent.
7.	Madhya Pradesh	NIL	NIL

	Energy Cut	Demand Cut
8. Bihar	There is no statutory power cut in the State and the shortages are met depending on day to day availability.	
9. Kerala	33⅓ per cent to 75 per cent permitted at old rate and the balance to be charged at imported energy rate.	

Statement—II

Power supply to Agricultural Sector during October, 1986

1. West Bengal	No restriction except during peak period between 1700 to 2200 hours.
2. Maharashtra	No restrictions.
3. Gujarat	7½-22 hrs/day supply.
4. Haryana	9 hours/day supply.
5. Uttar Pradesh	7·10 hrs/day supply.
6. Tamil Nadu	H.T. & L.T. consumer connected to rural feeders are subjected to grouping restrictions, as under :— 0600—1200 hrs. —supply to one group. 1200—1800 hrs. —Supply to another group. 1800·2200 hrs.—No supply to either group. 2200·0600 hours—Supply to both group. (next day).
7. Madhya Pradesh	No restrictions.
8. Bihar	Depending on day-to-day availabiltity.
9. Kerala	No restrictions.

Price of coal

715. **SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY** be pleased to state:

(a) the average price of coal (per tonne) in the country at the time of nationalisation;

(b) price per tonne of coal since nationalisation year-wise upto February, 1986; and

(c) what are the reasons that it became necessary to resort to price hike through an administrative order?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) At the time of nationalisation the average pit head price of coal was Rs. 37.50 per tonne. Since nationali-